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Field Number	Record Position	Number of Bytes	Alpha/ Numeric	Field Name and Description
* 1 - 5.	1-5	56	-	(Blank)
6.	6	1	N	AMENDMENT TYPE
7.	58	1	N	SEX OF CHILD
8.	59-60	2	-	(Blank)
9.	61	1	N	TYPE OF BIRTH
10.	62	1	N	BIRTH ORDER
11.	63-66	4	N	BIRTHWEIGHT (GRAMS)
12.	67-73	7	N	DATE OF BIRTH (CYMMDD)
13.	74-77	4	N	MATERNITY HOSPITAL CODE
14.	78	1	-	(Blank)
15.	79-80	2	A	COUNTY OCCURRENCE BIRTH
* 16.	81-97	17	-	(Blank)
18.	98-99	2	A	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER
19.	100-101	2	N	AGE OF MOTHER
20.	102-103	2	N	MOTHER'S YEARS OF EDUCATION
21.	104-105	2	N	RACE-ETHNICITY OF MOTHER
22.	106	1	-	(Blank)
23.	107-108	2	A	COUNTY RESIDENCE OF MOTHER (LB/FD)
24.	109-110	2	-	(Blank)
25.	111	1	N	TYPE OF CERTIFIER OF BIRTH
26.	112	1	A	MARITAL STATUS OF MOTHER (INFERRED) (Live Birth Only)
27.	113-118	6	A	CENSUS TRACT OF MOTHER'S RESIDENCE
28.	119-120	2	N	AGE OF FATHER
29.	121-122	2	N	FATHER'S YEARS OF EDUCATION
30.	123-124	2	N	RACE-ETHNICITY OF FATHER
31.	125	1	-	(Blank)
32.	126-132	7	A	DATE OF CHILD'S DEATH (CYMMDD) (Live Birth Only)
33.	133-136	4	N	DATE OF BIRTH REGISTRATION (YYMM)
34.	137-142	6	A	DATE OF LAST MENSES (YYMMDD)
35.	143-145	3	A	LENGTH OF GESTATION (IN DAYS)
36.	146	1	A	MONTH PRENATAL CARE BEGAN
37.	147-148	2	N	NUMBER OF PRENATAL CARE VISITS
38.	149-152	4	-	(Blank)
39.	153-154	2	N	LIVE BIRTHS NOW LIVING
40.	155-156	2	N	LIVE BIRTHS NOW DECEASED
41.	157-158	2	N	TOTAL CHILDREN BORN ALIVE
42.	159-160	2	N	TERMINATIONS BEFORE 20 WEEKS
43.	161-162	2	N	TERMINATIONS 20 WEEKS PLUS
44.	163-164	2	N	TOTAL CHILDREN EVER BORN
45.	165-168	4	A	DATE OF LAST LIVE BIRTH (YYMM)
46.	169-172	4	-	(Blank)
47.	173-176	4	A	DATE OF LAST TERMINATION (YYMM)
*48 - 50	177-192	16	-	(Blank)
51.	193-224	32	N	COMPLICATION OF PREGNANCY
52.	225-242	18	N	COMPLICATION OF LABOR/DELIVERY

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53.	243-262	20	N	ABNORMAL CONDITIONS
54.	263-272	10	-	(Blank)
55.	273-276	4	N	HOUR OF BIRTH (HHMM)
* 56.	277-284	8	-	(Blank)
57.	285	1	N	HISPANIC ORIGIN CODE OF FATHER
58.	286	1	N	HISPANIC ORIGIN CODE OF MOTHER
59.	287-291	5	A	MOTHER'S RESIDENTIAL ZIP CODE
60.	292-293	2	N	STATE OF RESIDENCE OF MOTHER
61.	294-296	3	N	CENSUS PLACE MOTHER'S RESIDENCE (Live Birth Only)
62.	297-304	8	-	(Blank)
63.	305	1	N	TYPE OF EVENT (Live Birth and Fetal Death)
64.	306-307	2	N	YEAR OF EVENT (Live Birth and Fetal Death)
65.	308-309	2	N	BIRTH LOCAL REGISTRATION DISTRICT
* 66 - 67.	310-332	23	-	(Blank)
68.	333-339	7	A	FATHER'S DATE OF BIRTH (CYMMDD)
69.	340-347	8	-	(Blank)
70.	348-354	7	A	MOTHER'S DATE OF BIRTH (CYMMDD)
71.	355-362	8	-	(Blank)
72.	363-365	3	A	METHOD OF DELIVERY THIS BIRTH
73.	366-367	2	N	PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR PRENATAL CARE
74.	368-369	2	N	EXPECTED PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR DELIVERY
75.	370	1	N	PLANNED BIRTHPLACE THIS BIRTH
76.	371-378	8	N	DATE OF DECEDENT'S DEATH (CCYYMMDD)
77.	379-381	3	N	AGE OF DECEDENT (CUU)
78.	382	1	N	DEATH REPORTED TO CORONER (Infant Death and Fetal Death)
79.	383	1	N	BIOPSY PERFORMED ON DECEDENT
80.	384	1	N	AUTOPSY PERFORMED ON DECEDENT (Infant Death and Fetal Death)
81.	385	1	N	OPERATION PERFORMED
82.	386	1	N	TYPE FACILITY WHERE DECEDENT DIED
83.	387	1	N	DEATH IN HOSPITAL
84.	388	1	N	TYPE OF CERTIFIER OF DEATH
85.	389-393	5	A	UNDERLYING CAUSE OF DEATH (ICD 10TH REVISION) (Infant Death and Fetal Death)
86.	394-396	3	N	GROUP CAUSE OF DEATH
87.	397-399	3	N	INFANT GROUP CAUSE OF DEATH
88.	400	1	N	HISPANIC ORIGIN OF DECEDENT
89.	401-406	6	N	(Blank)
90.	407-408	2	N	RACE-ETHNICITY OF DECEDENT
91.	409-410	2	A	PLACE OF DECEDENT'S RESIDENCE
92.	411-412	2	N	PLACE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED
93.	413-414	2	N	DEATH LOCAL REGISTRATION DISTRICT

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*94 - 95.	415-426	12	-	(Blank)

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, item in bold type is death information for infant decedent only.
 Unless otherwise noted, item not in bold type is birth information for live birth or fetal death.
 * Data are suppressed with blanks when personal identifiers are not requested.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Vital Statistics Section, "1999 California Birth File Documentation," "1999 California Death File Documentation," and "1999 California Fetal Death File Documentation," California Birth Cohort File, Revised March 29, 2002.